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APPENDIX

MARKED-UP VERSION OF THE CLAIMS

74 (Amended). A biosensor according to claim [73] 85, wherein the water replacing substance is selected from the group consisting of bovine serum albumin, serum, fish gelatin, non-fat dry milk powder, casein, glycerol, ethylene glycol, diethylene glycol, polyethylene glycol, trehalose, xylose, glucose, sucrose, dextrose, dextran and ficoll.

75 (Amended). A biosensor according to claim 74, wherein the water replacing substance is selected from the group consisting of glycerol, sucrose, dextran and trehalose.

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